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For: Method for Filling Recessed Micro-Structures with Metallization in the  
Production of a Microelectronic Device

AMENDMENT

**Box: Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the subject patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 32-53 without prejudice to their continued prosecution.

REMARKS

Claims 32-53 have been canceled. Claims 54-59 remain in the subject application and have not been changed from their immediately prior version. Claims 54-59 were added to the subject application in a Second Preliminary Amendment dated October 15, 2002 for the purpose of provoking an interference with U.S. Patent No. 6,074,544.

It is believed that the subject application is now in condition for immediate action